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MEMORANDUM FOR: The Director of Central Intelligence
SUBJECT : Cuban Disappointment with the Chilean Experiment

Enclosed is an Intelligence Information Special Report which I believe merits your personal attention because of the insight it provides into the degree to which Cuba will support the Allende Government of Chile and the Cuban anticipation of that Government's failure.

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Intelligence Information Special Report

COUNTRY Cuba/Chile

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Cuban Disappointment with the Chilean Experiment

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Summary: The Cuban policy toward Chile is one of total support for the present government. Cuba is generally disappointed with the Chilean experiment, however. It does not consider it to be sufficiently revolutionary and, therefore, believes it doomed to fail. Cuba is convinced that the present Chilean government will be overthrown by a military or subversive coup. End Summary.

1. The official Cuban policy toward Chile and the regime of President Salvador Allende Gossens is one of total support.

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3. Castro does not believe that the Allende Government will last. The Cubans are convinced that Allende will be overthrown by a military or subversive coup before the end of his term of office. [REDACTED] Comment: It is doubtful that Cuba has any concrete plans to try to help Allende counteract a coup, since this would be very difficult to do given the distance between the two countries. Cuba's main effort in this area is probably one of giving advice. Cuba has an excellent pipeline into Chile through Allende's daughter, who is married to Luis F e r n a n d e z O n a, second man in the Cuban Embassy in Santiago, Chile. [REDACTED]

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5. Cuba does not consider Chile a stable or permanent base from which to export the revolution to the rest of Latin America. Cuba intends, however, to take maximum advantage of the Chilean base as long as it lasts. [REDACTED]

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